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March 24, 1958

MEMORANDUM FOR: The Secretary of State
The Secretary of Defense
The Chairman, Joint Chiefs of Staff
The Director of Central Intelligence ✓

SUBJECT: Capabilities of Forces for
Limited Military Operations

REFERENCES: A. NSC Action No. 1814
B. NSC 5724; NSC 5724/1
C. NSC Actions Nos. 1841, 1842 and 1844
D. Memo for NSC from Executive Secretary,
same subject, dated March 7, 1958
E. NSC Action No. 1881

The National Security Council, the Secretary of the Treasury, the Attorney General, the Director, Bureau of the Budget, and the Chairman, Atomic Energy Commission, at the 359th NSC Meeting on March 20, 1958 (NSC Action No. 1881):

Concurred in the plan on the subject developed, pursuant to NSC Actions Nos. 1842-g-(4) and 1844-b, by the Department of Defense with the concurrence of the Department of State and the Joint Chiefs of Staff (transmitted by the reference memorandum of March 7, 1958); subject to the understanding that:

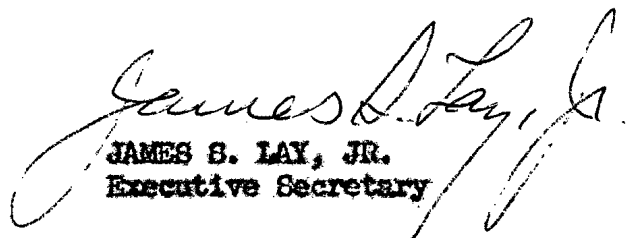
- a. The reference, in paragraphs a and b-(6) under "Scope of Study", to "the use of nuclear weapons" will include study of the use of so-called "clean" nuclear weapons.
- b. The second sentence in paragraph b under "Assumptions" is to be regarded only as a working assumption for the purposes of this study.
- c. In view of the fact that paragraph b under "Scope of Study" involves estimates of "national intelligence", the Director of Central Intelligence will participate as appropriate in the preparation of the study.

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The President, on March 21, 1958, approved the above action, which is accordingly transmitted herewith.


JAMES S. LAY, JR.
Executive Secretary

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